PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, agriculture is the basic industry in South Dakota, providing either the market or the raw material for almost the entire economy of the State; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota can prosper only as its basic industry has the purchasing power to absorb the goods and services provided by the State's business economy, and

WHEREAS, cooperatives have made a substantial contribution to the development of a progressive agricultural economy in South Dakota, by providing the means by which farmers can increase their bargaining power and achieve economic recognition in the market place, and

WHEREAS, in observing October 1970 as Co-op Month, South Dakota Cooperatives are asked to commit or pledge action toward "A Better Life in the '70's", and all over the county, the people of America's cooperatives are committed to working together for a better tomorrow. We are proud to help carry out this pledge.

THEREFORE, I, FRANK L. FARRAR, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby name and designate the month of October, 1970 as:

COOP-MONTH

in South Dakota and urge al understanding and recognition of the achievements and services of Cooperatives in our state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 17th day of September in the year of our Lord, one hundred nine hundred and seventy.

FRANK L. FARRAR, GOVERNOR

ATTEST

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE